



Egg Products

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Shell Eggs Broken Up 19 Percent from Last Year

May 2015 contained 21 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

May 2016 contained 22 weekdays (including 1 holiday) and 4 Saturdays.

Shell eggs broken totaled 197 million dozen during May 2016, up 19 percent from May a year ago, and 5 percent above the 188 million broken during the previous month.

During calendar year 2016, shell eggs broken totaled 908 million dozen, up 1 percent from 2015. Cumulative total edible product from eggs broken in 2016 was 1.17 billion pounds, up slightly from 2015.

Data presented in this report were compiled from Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) inspection reports. The best available data at the time of publication were used.

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken – United States: May 2016 with Comparisons

Inspected item	May 2015	April 2016	May 2016	Percent of	
				May 2015	April 2016
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	165,980	187,654	197,289	119	105
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken					
Whole	136,954	153,522	155,745	114	101
White	51,489	58,601	65,858	128	112
Yolk	25,010	29,107	32,086	128	110
Total	213,453	241,230	253,689	119	105
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	16,492	20,080	20,744	126	103

Federally Inspected Shell Eggs Broken, Cumulative – United States: January-May 2015 and 2016

Inspected item	Cumulative		2016 as percent of 2015
	January-May 2015	January-May 2016	
	(1,000 dozen)	(1,000 dozen)	(percent)
Shell eggs broken	900,101	907,870	101
	(1,000 pounds)	(1,000 pounds)	(percent)
Edible product from shell eggs broken			
Whole	710,918	739,456	104
White	305,673	285,315	93
Yolk	150,741	142,850	95
Total	1,167,332	1,167,621	100
Inedible product from shell eggs broken	93,446	98,933	106

Statistical Methodology

Data Sources: Data for the *Egg Products* report are obtained from Egg Products Volume Reports (FSIS Form 5200-11) completed by inspectors of FSIS, USDA. FSIS is responsible for administering a mandatory inspection program for egg products under the authority of the Egg Products Inspection Act of 1970. The act and its associated regulations require that all commercial egg breaking and processing plants operate under continuous USDA supervision. Reports are currently received from approximately 60 plants in the United States. Plant management provides monthly volume data to the resident USDA inspector at the applicable plant.

Revision Policy: Revisions are generally the result of late reports received by FSIS from plants. Revisions for the previous month and year-to-date totals are published in each monthly release.

Procedures and Reliability: FSIS reviews plant data for accuracy and completeness and provides NASS a data file. NASS reviews the data for unusual values. The egg products estimates are based on a census of all commercial egg breaking and processing plants; therefore, there are no statistical estimation and sampling errors.

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